

SOME good Republican ought to suppress that woman who wants all idiots killed. What would become of protection then?

PROSPERITY has struck the harvester trust. Its assessment for taxation in the city of Chicago has been reduced \$1,046,500.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEROME expressed his contempt recently for a "simple vulgar steal." It is the complicated, masterful steals that excite his admiration and paley his prosecuting zeal.

A YOUNG woman in New Jersey has been poisoned through counting her money. But don't become unnecessarily alarmed. The new tariff bill eliminates the danger of a violent spread of the disease.

CENSUS reports show that the products of manufacture in the United States for the year 1905 reached a total of \$14,802,147,987 for 5,470,321 wage earners, whose produce was, therefore, worth \$2,708 per capita. These people received \$2,611,520,532 in wages, or \$479 per capita. In other words they received in wages about one sixth of the value of their product. Of the balance a small percentage went to pay the cost of raw material and the balance went to swell the profits of the protected trusts. And the consumer paid for it all.

BESIDES being first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen, George Washington set them a good example by being one of the earliest advertisers. While president of the United States he patronized the advertising columns of a newspaper and much earlier than that an advertisement bearing his signature appeared in the Baltimore Advertiser (now American) offering a tract of land for sale. George Washington was a man of wisdom and as such he recognized the potency of printers' ink. His countrymen of the present day can emulate his example in this, as in other things, to their profit and advancement.

THOSE military maneuvers at Boston have been terribly thrilling. Cities were captured though their inhabitants were unaware of it until they read about it in the papers, and lots of theoretical gore was spilled. Most boys at some time in their lives liked to play war, and as a man is but a boy grown up, the brave generals, lesser officers and privates who participated in this grown-up game of war probably had "a perfectly corking" time. But to the average non-participant with a sense of humor sham battles have been rather more funny than inspiring.

THE naval court of inquiry is sure of one thing at least. Lieutenant Sutton is dead. The verdict of the court that the young officer shot himself "intentionally or in an effort to shoot one of the persons restraining him" will hardly serve to please the majority of those who followed the course of investigation; certainly not the relatives of the dead man. The officers who survived the quarrel say that Sutton was shot while lying face down upon the ground with two or three men sitting on him to hold him down. It would have been almost impossible for him to shoot himself and no adequate reason why he should wish to has been produced. The court of inquiry failed signally in solving the mystery of Sutton's death and the suspicion will linger in the minds of many that its aim and intent was not so much to ascertain the actual facts as it was to wield a whitewash brush for the benefit of the young officers who were concerned in the death of their fellow-officer.

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WHERE WILL TAFT STAND?

In the first great test of his administration William Howard Taft failed. When the time came to choose between serving the people or the interests, he chose the interests, playing into their hands by signing a tariff bill conceived in iniquity and born in sin; a bill the deliberate purpose of which is to filch money from the pockets of the people and transfer it to the coffers of the trusts.

A second crisis now confronts Mr. Taft. He must choose again between the interests and the masses. A controversy has arisen between Secretary of the Interior Ballinger and Chief Forester Pinchot. Their differences apparently are irreconcilable and one or the other must go. It is up to Mr. Taft to determine which shall remain.

Ballinger is evidently acting for the land-grabbers, the monopolists seeking to control the water power sites. Pinchot has taken a stand unequivocally for the preservation of the public rights. He is hated by the grafters, the big interests that are sustained by Ballinger in their efforts to wrest from the people special privileges they do not deserve, are not entitled to and should not have. If these interests can accomplish the result, Pinchot will go, Ballinger will remain, and the land-grabbing and water right piracy will go merrily on. Where does President Taft stand? What will be his determination of the issue? Will, he as in the case of the tariff, "go along" with the big interests and retain Ballinger, or will he this time stand up for the people and sustain Pinchot? It is up to William Howard Taft.

MORGAN.

The earth and the fullness thereof are J. P. Morgan's by right of might and the grace of the government of the United States. This great man has but to bend his finger and presidents do his bidding. Ordinary power, wealth and glory are but baubles compared with the effulgent glow that haloes Morgan's head.

Many years ago when, by reason of commercial and industrial disaster following the wake of President Harrison's administration as night does the day, his

successor, Grover Cleveland, found it necessary to issue the bonds Harrison had cunningly held off to put the new administration in the hole. Mr. Cleveland made the greatest mistake of his political career by assuming that the government must go to Morgan to sell bonds and accept whatever price Morgan saw fit to give. It was demonstrated that Morgan was not needed, and the government got a much better price for its bonds from the people at large.

But this little setback did not permanently put Morgan out of the Pooh Bah business. Far from it. He continued to have a finger in the governmental pie throughout succeeding administrations. The great trust buster, Theodore Roosevelt, was highly susceptible to his influence. He paused in his assaults upon the malefactors of great wealth long enough to suspend the law of the land while Mr. Morgan put through the Tennessee coal and iron merger in violation of the statutes of the United States.

And now it appears that our patriotic demand that China borrow money—whether she needs it or not—from Americans as well as from the British, the Germans and the French, is all done for Morgan. The great financier has a mind to exploit the land of Confucius and the genial Mr. Taft and the minions of his administration need only to be told what Morgan wants to get it for him.

All this is good for Morgan and for his financial and political friends, no doubt, but is it good for the country? Would not the future of this republic be better assured with less kow-towing to this financial potentate? Isn't it about time to call a halt before we are completely Morganized?

FOWLER VS. CANNON.

There is more blood on the Republican moon. Representative Charles N. Fowler of New Jersey, former chairman of the house committee on banking and currency, has published an open letter to Speaker Cannon that fairly sizzles. He attacks Cannon's record, taking it up in detail, and says that Cannonism is the main issue before the American people to-day. With prophetic insight he declares: "If the Republican party wins the next congressional election it will only be upon the grave of Cannonism."

Fowler minces no words in charging that Cannon and Aldrich were parties to a conspiracy to kill all revisions downward in the late tariff bill in conference committee and that the house conferees were made up of stand-patters by the speaker for this specific purpose. Referring to the currency bill prepared by himself and a body of bankers in 1906, Mr. Fowler bitterly reproaches Cannon for his refusal to permit the measure to be brought before the house, squarely charges the speaker with being in part responsible for the financial catastrophe of 1907, and denounces the Aldrich-Vreeland bill, which Cannon favored, as a

"hodge podge" and "disgrace." Mr. Fowler was deposed from his chairmanship of the committee on banking and currency by Speaker Cannon because of Fowler's alignment with the "insurgents." The speaker's friends, of course, charge that Fowler's bitter denunciation of Cannon is due to disappointment and a desire for revenge, and, in a measure, this is probably true. But whatever may have been the inspiring motives of Fowler's denunciatory epistle the truth of all or most of the charges he makes against Cannon and Cannonism can not be denied. And in view of the temper of the American people at the present time and the hatred for Cannonism which prevails the country over, the effect of this formidable letter can not be waived aside by charges of a malicious inspiration.

That the none-too-tender epidermis of the speaker has been penetrated by Fowler's shafts of invective is evidenced by dispatches from Washington which say that Cannon is going on the warpath. He will make no reply to the Fowler attack, it is said, until congress convenes in December. Then the fur will fly. It is said that the speaker will call a friend to the chair and, on the floor of the house, castigate his critics. It is alleged that he is looking up the records of all the "insurgents" with a view to publicly charging them with hypocrisy in their present attitude.

All of this is interesting as forecasting lively times in the house of representatives when congress again convenes. It is also of especial interest to the Democrats as evidenced by the depth of the internal strife which is rending the Republican party. "When thieves fall out honest men get their dues." Without intention of stigmatizing the whole Republican representation at Washington as light fingered, it may be said that the prospects of the Democratic party have not been brighter in half a century than they are at this moment when Republicans are flying at each other's throats and ignoring the political enemy.

SOLUTION OF BANK GUARANTEE PROBLEM.

How a man's property may be insured against any contingency of loss, be that property what it may, including his cash deposited in banks. A charter has recently been issued by the state of Missouri authorizing the Bank Insurance & Indemnity Company of Kansas City to transact a general insurance business. But the special object of the company is to insure the assets of banks in an amount sufficient to guarantee all depositors that

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Real Estate Transfer.

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WARRANTY DEEDS.

Hugo E. Bartz and wife to Jas. F. Haney, pt of w hf sw 33-54-18—\$425.

Wm. Phillips and wife to Claude E. Wansmaker et al, three acres in e hf nw 17-56-21 lying east of Locust creek—\$125.

Omar H. Avery and wife to Wm. F. Cavanah, two acres on west and north side ne se 28-55-18—\$100.

Thos. J. Heaton and wife to Wm. L. Moxley, sw ne 12-54-18—\$1,000.

W. T. Magruder, Jr., to Bettie D. Magruder, all of lot 1 and so much off lot adjoining said lot

on west as to make 115 feet north and south and 125 feet east and west, all in blk 13 in Brinker's addn. to Brunswick—\$1.

Thos. S. Horton and wife to Jas. A. Harlan, sw se 31-55-17—\$1,340.

Wm. L. Moxley and wife to B. R. Collet, sw ne 12-54-18—\$1,500.

J. O. Monach and wife to F. A. Hunt, n hf se 21-55-21—\$3,200.

Elvin Wiseman to Leander Wiseman, nw ne 11-56-18—\$1,200.

Total number of transfers for the week, \$8,790.

Ernie Mason, a young miner of Keota, was before Justice W. J. Carlin of Brookfield Thursday for preliminary examination on the charge of killing Elsie Russ, a negro woman of Keokuk, Iowa. At the conclusion of the testimony Mason was remanded to the county jail at Linneus without bail. D. R. and John Hughes, of Macon appeared for the defendant. A very large crowd attended the hearing. The testimony developed that between 10 and 11 on the night of the 18th in the south side of Brookfield, five young white men passed a pair of negro women. One of the women made a suggestive observation to the men; after the parties had gone by each other, the evidence showed that Mason went to one of the women and talked in a low tone for a few moments. Suddenly this exclamation was heard: "D—you, take that!" The woman cried: "I am stabbed!" The men ran, leaving the mortally injured woman still standing erect, they said. At this point the state rested, and D. R. Hughes asked the discharge of his client for the reason no murder had been proven; there was no evidence of the death of a soul; an absolute failure of the state to prove the corpus delicti; that there was no testimony before the justice showing an inquest had been held; no witness testified to seeing the dead body; the last seen of the woman she was standing erect in the street. The justice overruled the speech with the remark that it was a matter of common knowledge the woman was dead, and ordered Mason back to prison. Mason pleads not guilty, averring stoutly he was not the party who stabbed the woman.—Macon Republican.

Seed Wheat.

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